AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) There are differences of perception between Government of India and His Majesty's Government of Nepal on the alignment of boundary in Susta area of West Champaran District of Bihar. The Government of India is of the view that Nepalese have encroached upon Indian territory including setting up of a police post in village Susta.

(c) The Survey Department of the two countries are engaged in an exercise to resolve the issue to reach a mutually acceptable alignment of boundary in Susta region. In this context, a Joint Technical Committee (JTC) of India and Nepal has been set up to coordinate the work relating to inspection/restoration of missing/damaged pillar and resolving anomalies which have developed due to missing pillars, shifting of pillars etc., including in the Susta region.

Training camp for Nepalese Maoists

1807. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sri lanka's Tamil Tigers are running a training camp for Nepalese Maoists-women, boys and girls to train them as suicide bombers in Narkatiaganj and Ghorasahan District in Bihar, near Nepal border.;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are Government's reaction in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No such report has come to the notice of the Government.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Eviction of tribals from Assam

1808. SHRI NABAM REBIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the police and forest officials of Assam Government have been resorting to unprovoked

eviction drive on innocent tribal people of Arunachal Pradesh living in border areas from time to time leading to explosive situations;

(b) whether Government would recognize the Assam-Arunachal boundary dispute a national issue; and

(c) if so, the details of the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to resolve this vexed problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) The Government had taken up the matter regarding eviction drive with the Government of Assam, who had reported that eviction drive carried out on 5.2.2005, was not in the disputed area of Assam-Arunachal Pradesh border.

(b) and (c) The boundary dispute between Assam and Arunachal Pradesh is pending before the Supreme Court.

Spread of naxalism

1809. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that naxalism has spread from one village in West Bengal to 7000 villages and now control 19 per cent of India's forest areas;

(b) if so, whether Government have ever examined the main reasons for the spread of this movement which had adversely affected more than 300 million people by naxal-related violence and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what are the details of steps Government propose to take to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) 76 districts in 9 States namely Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal are affected by naxalite violence/activity in varying degrees. Besides, naxalites are also trying to spread their influence in some parts of Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Uttaranchal.